

REMARKS

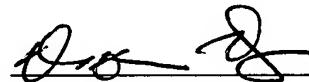
Applicant submits this Preliminary Amendment in response to a Notice of Incomplete Reply mailed August 19, 2004.

Applicant has amended the Brief Description of the Drawings section to delete the incorrect reference to Fig. 2C. Applicant has inserted a correct brief description of Fig. 3A. Applicant has amended the original brief description of Figs. 3A and 3B to correctly refer to Figs. 3B and 3C. Figs. 3A-3C are referenced on page 4 line 21 of the present application. No new matter has been entered.

A prompt and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited. It is believed that no fee is required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2165.

Respectfully submitted,

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